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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Kurt E. PETERSEN, et al.

Serial No.:

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For:

SINGLE CRYSTAL SILICON SENSOR

WITH HIGH ASPECT RATIO AND CURVILINEAR STRUCTURES AND

ASSOCIATED METHOD

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box PATENT APPLICATION Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

As a preliminary to examination of the above-identified application, please enter the following Amendment as follows.

AMENDMENTS

In the specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, lines 1-5 with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/652,867, filed May 23, 1996, now allowed, which is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 08/449,140, filed May 24, 1995, which issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,084,257, issued date July 4, 2000. –

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Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the specification:

Paragraph beginning at page 1, lines 1-5 have been amended as follows:

[This application is a continuation-in-part of patent application Serial No. 08/449,140, filed May 24, 1995, by inventors Kurt Petersen; Nadim Maluf, Wendell McCulley; John Logan and Erno Klaassen, entitled, "Single Crystal Silicon Sensor With High Aspect Ratio and Curvilinear Structures and Associated Method".]

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